

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

**ABSTRACT**

A sound or ultrasound sensor having a radiation characteristic with a preferably small beam angle and producing very little interference signals, including a pot-shaped housing [[1]] closed at ~~the~~ its bottom end by a floor [[3]], a piezoelectric element [[5]] for producing and/or receiving sound or ultrasound through the floor [[3]], a matching layer [[7]] between the piezoelectric element [[5]] and the floor [[3]], and a metal ring [[9]] gripping around the matching layer [[7]] with an interlocking fit. [[Fig. 1]]